



COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE & STRATEGIC GROWTH – AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: 8 April 2025

Subject: YYC 2025 Runway Construction Update

Directorate: Strategic Growth and Investment

Issue:

The Community Infrastructure & Strategic Growth Standing Committee is being provided with a presentation from YYC on the 2025 runway rehabilitation project and possible impact on flight pattern changes over Airdrie.

Policy / Council Direction:

The City of Airdrie is a member of the YYC Airport Community Consultative Committee which meets four times per year to discuss aircraft operations and concerns at YYC.

Background:

In April 2024 YYC began the West Runway Rehabilitation project. The runway was originally constructed in 1939. Due to the extensive nature of the rehabilitation project the runway is taken out of service to accommodate construction from April to December. Phases 1-4 were completed in 2024 with the runway reopening for winter service. The remaining phases are scheduled to be completed in 2025.

To accommodate the closure of the West Runway aircraft activity is shifted to the East and Crosswinds Runways. This can result in more concentrated air traffic flight paths and increase the number of concerns raised by communities near YYC.

In 2023 and prior to construction beginning in 2024 very few noise complaints were received from Airdrie residents. During construction, April to early December 2024, 101 complaints were received from Airdrie residents through the YYC aircraft noise concerns system. No complaints were received in December 2024 after the West Runway was brought back into service.

As part of YYC community engagement plan for 2025 the Calgary Airport Authority held a public open house for Airdrie and area residents on February 26 at Genesis Place to provide information on the 2025 construction schedule and possible temporary impacts.

Representatives from YYC will provide the Community Infrastructure & Strategic Growth Standing Committee with more details about the construction project, including the possibility of installing temporary noise monitoring equipment in areas most affected by shifts in airplane traffic.

Administration Recommendation:

That the Community Infrastructure & Strategic Growth Standing Committee accepts the presentation from YYC on the 2025 runway rehabilitation project for information.

Alternatives/Implications:

1. The Community Infrastructure & Strategic Growth Standing Committee can request additional information from YYC on the 2025 runway rehabilitation project.

Budget Implications:

N/A

Communications and Engagement:

Corporate Communications may work with The Calgary Airport Authority to share updates on the construction project and noise complaint submission process.

Recommendation:

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Leona Esau, Intergovernmental Liaison

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